2018 Town of Reading

Downtown Economic Development - Community Meeting

Community Room @ Reading Public Library
October 17, 2018
7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

AGENDA

7:00 – 7:10	Select Board Vice Chair, Barry Berman – Welcoming remarks Comments on Goals for Economic Development
7:10 – 7:20	Town Manager, Bob LeLacheur — Additional remarks Perspective on economic development. How we prioritized economic development as a strategy to grow the tax base and provide relief to the residential taxpayer.
7:20 – 8:00	Nelson Nygaard Parking Consultant, Matt Smith – Presentation on Updated Downtown Parking Study. Audience feedback on recommendations via polling devices.
8:00 – 8:15	Economic Development Liaison, Jessie (Wilson) Wyman – Presentation on Downtown Wayfinding project funded through a grant from the Commonwealth of MA.
8:15 – 8:30	Community Development Director, Julie Mercier – Presentation on Economic Development projects and initiatives in the pipeline.
8:30 – 9:00	Assistant Town Manager, Jean Delios – Break Out Session with Attendees providing feedback on ideas for future economic development Downtown.
9:00 – 9:30	Break Out Session Feedback / Q&A

Think of something while driving home? No problem!

Feel free to direct additional comments or questions to Town staff:

Jean Delios: <u>jdelios@ci.reading.ma.us</u>
Julie Mercier: <u>jmercier@ci.reading.ma.us</u>

Andrew MacNichol: amacnichol@ci.reading.ma.us

Want to review tonight's presentations at home? Please do!

Presentations will be posted at this link tomorrow:

 $\underline{https://www.readingma.gov/public-services/planning-division/pages/downtown-economic-development-1}$